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THE RUSH is on - the Jackass Mail rush, that is, as above photo indicates, what with Postmaster Allan Coates, second from left under hat, requiring an assist from Ben Lyon, the banjo plucker, left; Col. Robert C. Natzke, and Wagon Master Tom Mason-

heimer. Jackass Mail stamps can be purchased at the Porterville chamber office; letters must be mailed there, with a regular U.S. postage stamp as well as the Jackass Mail stamp; letters will be accepted until the Mail pulls out from the Porterville city hall

Saturday morning at 8 o'clock, or thereabouts.

(Farm Tribune photo)

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ACTION PROMISED AT SPRINGVILLE RODEO

SPRINGVILLE — World championship cowboy action will come to the colorful Sierra foothills when Springville stages its annual rodeo, Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, in the rodeo bowl on highway 190.

Grand entry is set for 2 p.m. each day; announcing the show will be Johnny Jackson, of Woodlake; opposition for professional bronc stompers will be provided by the Golden State Rodeo association string, handled by Cotton Rosser, and by the dean of American rodeo producers, Andy Jauregui.

Competitive events of the professional rodeo circuit will be featured: Saddle bronc riding; steer wrestling; team roping; calf roping; team roping; calf roping; bull riding; and women's barrel racing.

The rodeo weekend will get underway with a west-

ern parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 6, featuring bands, baton twirlers, horseback riders, mounted groups, floats, horse-drawn vehicles and horseless carriages.

Riding as parade grand marshal will be Mark Borrer, of Springville, a nationally famous breeder of Holstein-Friesian cattle.

A western dance is set for the Springville Memorial building the night of April 6.

Seating area and parking area at the Springville rodeo grounds has been improved by "local" work crews, and on rodeo days concession stands, selling food and drinks, will be open.

Heading up the rodeo committee is Roy Hartley; in charge of parking will be Dick Maas; Ken Fox is concession chairman; and Clyde Simpson is finance

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Retirement Party Tomorrow Night For Ross Gardner, Other Firemen

PORTERVILLE — Fire Chief Ross Gardner, Deputy Chief Olin Garrett, and six other firemen and city employees will be honored at a retirement party tomorrow night in the Lantern Room of the New Gang Sue's. A total of 292 years of service will be repre-

sented by the honored guests during the retirement ceremony.

Gardner has served as Porterville fire chief for 51 years; Olin Garrett has been his deputy for 46 years; others to be honored are: Frank Smith, 27 years;

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ROSS GARDNER, top, in a prize-winning photo shot by Glenn Edwards during the Smith Market fire, and Ross when he became Porterville Fire chief back in 1920.



LOCAL ADVISORY committee of the Mineral King Savings and Loan association, that is holding an open house, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., in its new Porterville offices on Monday, April 1, are, from left: Robert W. Bennett, citrus grow-

er, president; Pete Suhovy, rancher and super-market owner, vice president; Bill Rodgers, co-owner of the Farm Tribune, secretary; Wilbur O. Dennis, Ducor cattleman, director; and Harold B. Wyatt, Lindsay citrus and

olive grower, director. The new Porterville branch office of Mineral King Savings and Loan association is at 65 West Putnam. (Edwards Studio & Hammond Studio photos)

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JACKASS MAIL

PORTERVILLE-SPRINGVILLE — The Jackass Mail — a spectacular cavalcade of horseback riders, teamsters and saddle bums — will move out from the Porterville City Hall area at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 30, with destination, Springville.

Cowboys and cowgirls are invited to tag along — at their own risk and by their own volition. There is no signup, no prizes, no contests; riders, and drivers of horse-drawn vehicles, simply show up and move out.

A strong box carrying official communications will be aboard the Jackass Mail wagon, driven by Head Teamster Domer Power. Military escort will be provided by the 1st Tule River Cannon battery, CSA; and music along the way will be provided by the Porterville Elks' Lodge band.

Letters to be taken by wagon train from Porterville to Springville must carry an official Jackass Mail stamp, plus a regular U. S. postage stamp. At Springville the mail will be turned over to Postmaster Lawrence Unser for dispatch through regular U. S. mail channels.

Jackass Mail stamps are available at the Porterville chamber of commerce office and in several business emporiums at Porterville and Springville. Official mail boxes are at the Porterville chamber office and at Springville hardware.

The mail closes in Porterville at 8 a.m., March 30; letters must be mailed at the Porterville chamber of commerce or at Springville Hardware to go by Jackass Mail.

Great festivities will mark progress of the wagon train through Porterville, out to Worth, onto highway 190, then along the River road, with turnoff at the Tule river crossing.

A beef and beans lunch will be served at noon by Tulare County Cow Belles at John Moore's Tule River Estates, just above the Globe bridge. A fish fry, prepared by Ray Corzine, and other members of the Springville chamber of commerce, will be ready to go when the mail arrives at Springville, at 5:30 p.m. or thereabouts.

Persons not able to stand the rigors of the trail are invited to travel by horseless carriage and partake of either or both of the bountiful repasts.

Wagon Master Tom Masonheimer asks that riders remain behind the wagons at all times and that they use only the right side of the road or highway to allow movement of regular traffic. He also states that it is the responsibility of riders and teamsters to keep their animals under control at all times.

Assisting with movement of the Jackass Mail will be Tulare County Sheriff Bob Wiley.

Representatives of the Humane society will travel with the Jackass Mail, as they do on most trail rides in the State of California. Their mission is only to see that horses are not abused.

Humane society officials (Continued On Page 7)

RODEO QUEEN CORONATION SATURDAY

SPRINGVILLE — Queen of the 1968 Springville-Sierra rodeo will be announced and crowned during a Coronation ball at the Springville Memorial building Saturday evening, March 30; dancing will start at 9 p.m.

The 1968 queen will be crowned by Springville's rodeo chairman, Roy Hartley; awards to the first and second princesses and to the contestants chosen "Miss Congeniality" will be made by last year's queen, Shelly Rose, of Tulare.

Music for dancing will be by "The Four Winds;" the Coronation ball is sponsored by the Springville post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, one of the five community organizations that make up the Springville Rodeo association.

The queen, and her princesses, will appear at both afternoon performances of the Springville rodeo, Saturday, April 6 and Sunday, April 7. They will also ride in the annual western parade that will lead off the rodeo weekend at 10 a.m., April 6.

Contestants for the queen title are: Linda Smith, a student at Tulare High school; and Cinda Baker, (Continued On Page 4)

LEGISLATORS WILL BE WITH JACKASS MAIL

PORTERVILLE — Flash at press time!

Two state legislators will be in Porterville to participate in the seventh running of the Jackass Mail, Saturday.

State Senator Howard Way says he will be ready to go at the city hall, come 8 a.m., in fact he says he will respond to the call of duty as he did last year if the Cannon crew needs a gunner.

State Assemblyman Gordon Duffy will not be able to join the mail in the morning, but he will be on hand for the noon lunch stop and a plate of that good beef and beans that the Tulare County Cow Belles will serve.

Editorial Comment

WE CONGRATULATE ROSS GARDNER

Time is a tough taskmaster. It carries both a threat and a challenge when we mortals look ahead into the future; it carries memories of success and disappointments when we look back into the past.

In the case of Ross Gardner, a native of Porterville who is retiring as chief of the Porterville Fire department after 51 years of service, the look backwards is filled with memories of success, both in the development of a modern fire department and in beneficial community work in a number of fields.

When Ross became chief of the call men in 1920, the job was on a part-time basis; there were only two full-time, paid firemen. When the present city charter was adopted in 1927, Ross became a paid, full-time chief with still only two full-time firemen. Today the department has 18 full-time employees.

As for equipment, the city bought its first pumper, an American LaFrance, in 1920; it bought another pumper in 1923; the department built its first tank truck in 1927 from a Hudson car that had belonged to Ross; from 1932 until 1960 the department assumed the responsibility for operating an ambulance, owned by firemen and call men; in 1932 the department acquired a resuscitator, at that time the only one in the community; subsequently the city purchased a 60-foot aerial ladder truck, a 1,000 gallon Mack pumper that also carried 400 gallons of water, and a second 1,000 gallon Mack pumper carrying 400 gallons of water plus a high pressure booster pump; a California Civil Defense truck was placed in the department in 1954.

As for the fire alarm and control system, there has been continuing improvement through the years, including the present central control building, manned 24-hours

a day, that houses a city and fire department switch board, and mechanism for control of all city water wells. Ross was a "guiding light" in this year-by-year improvement of the total fire control system - and he worked on plans for the present fire station, for the more recent addition of a second story to the station, and for outlying substations that will be built in the future.

As a result of this constant improvement and a low fire loss, the old Board of Fire Underwriters, now the Pacific Fire Rating Bureau, has boosted Porterville, step by step, from a class 6 city to a class 4 city, which means that the money spent by the city for fire department improvement, and the work done by Ross over a long period of time has reflected favorably in the pocketbook of city residents through lower fire insurance rates.

Ross has found time to contribute to his community through work in the Masonic and Elk lodges since 1920; he is a 30-year member and past president of the Noon Lions club; for more than 40 years he has been one of the real "ramrods" in the old Porterville Fish and Game association and the present Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association; he has played a part in many community drives of a charitable nature - and, of course in Porterville's Centennial celebration of 1961.

In his Porterville high school days, Ross was a fine athlete, playing on the football team that twice went to the state championship game; later he played considerable baseball for Porterville teams, more recently he has claimed two hole-in-ones on the golf course.

He and Mrs. Gardner, the former Isola Meredith, celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary last week; they have lived in their present home on Putnam avenue for about 55 years.

Certainly, through the years, Ross has not always agreed with everyone, nor has everyone always agreed with him.

But looking back across time, Ross has been what we choose to call a "solid citizen."

We congratulate him for the successes that his paid and unpaid efforts have brought to his community of Porterville.

Antelope Census Is Up In California

SACRAMENTO - The Department of Fish and Game reports that 2,607 antelope were counted in the annual aerial antelope census in northeastern California.

The census total is up slightly from the 1967 count of 2,537. The pronghorn population in California has fluctuated between 1,800 and 2,700 animals in recent years.

Special hunts for surplus buck pronghorns have been authorized by the Fish and Game commission in each of the past four years, with the number of permits ranging from 240 to 265 and hunter success averaging about 66 per cent.

The record high count was in 1966 when 2,735 pronghorns were counted. The census tallied 2,618 antelope in 1964, the second highest.

The pronghorn once ranged over much of California, but is now confined to Modoc, Lassen and eastern Shasta and Siskiyou counties in the northeastern corner of the state and a small band in Mono county. The antelope is a free-ranging, space-loving animal, and agricultural and urban development have cut deeply into its habitat.

First harvest of spring potatoes is expected by mid-April in Kern county.

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Daybell
Nursery
By John

It has occurred to us that the group referred to as "flower children" are misnamed. These people are not believers in war or work and as any home gardener knows the growing of flowers involves a great deal of work and all out war against predators, insects, and even some types of birds. We propose therefore that they be called "weed children." This would cover their smoking habits plus their philosophy of living without work.

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LINDSAY FESTIVAL

LINDSAY - "Springtime and Blossoms" has been selected as theme for the 1968 Orange Blossom Festival by the festival committee. Tom Shimasaki, festival chairman, says the theme expresses the community's optimism and pros-

perity, linking the two with the hope for an abundant harvest.

Named by Shimasaki to festival committees were Mrs. James Hurley, chairman of the queen's luncheon; John Drnek, parade judging; Bill Sanders, concessions; and Tony Hernandez, representing the Mexican - American Progres-

sive Society.

Shimasaki also announced that secret chairmen for the honored couple and the queen selection have been appointed. The committee set March 27 as the date to name the honored couple, April 3 for the announcement of the queen's attendants, and April 10 as the date on which to reveal the festival queen. The selection process for all of these is now in progress. Dates of the festival are April 20 through 28.

Carrots are moving in volume from the Coachella and Imperials valleys.

Quality, color and size of southern California strawberries is good.



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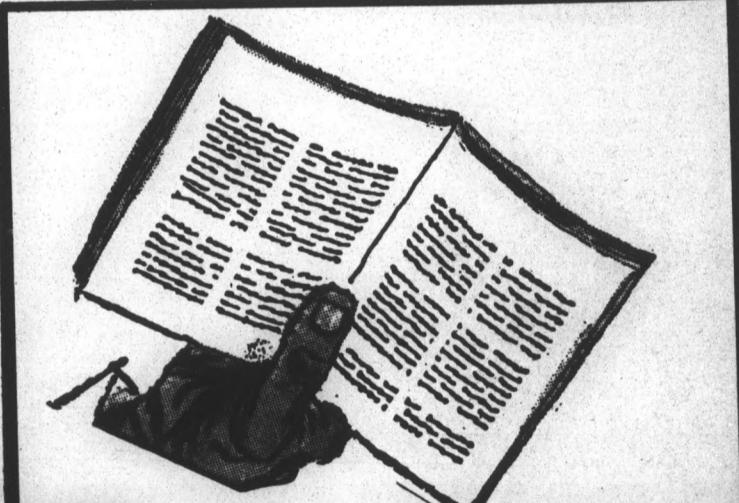
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acquired it from Slocum in 1885. The instrument is made entirely of wood found in the Milo area; belly of the violin is of fir; back is of mahogany; sides are of sycamore and keys are of mahogany, inlaid with shells said to have been found along the Tule river. The violin is one of more than 1,100 items, related to Porterville-area history, now on display at the Porterville museum. (Farm Tribune photo)

"MAN AND THE MIND DRUGS, ESCAPE TO NOWHERE," IS FORUM SUBJECT

POTERVILLE - "Man and the Mind Drugs - Escape to Nowhere" will be the topic of Victor Krumdick, a College of the Sequoias health education instructor and audio-visual expert, when he addresses a Porterville College Community Service Series forum next Tuesday night, April 2, at the College communication arts building.

Krumdick will accompany his talk with a slide show using two screens and two projectors.

A graduate of Purdue university, Krumdick also has been a member of the faculty at Alpena college in Michigan, and at Orange Coast college in Southern California.

Serving also as the di-

rector of community services at COS, Krumdick is a member of the President's Council on Fitness, is a consultant for Disney Film Enterprises, and an instructor in the Disney administrative training program.

He also is a training advisor for the Los Angeles Dodgers and the Kansas City Chiefs, and is an author, lecturer, and specialist in large group instruction.

Tickets for Krumdick's local appearance are free of charge, and may be obtained at Cole's, Village Drug, and the college activities office.

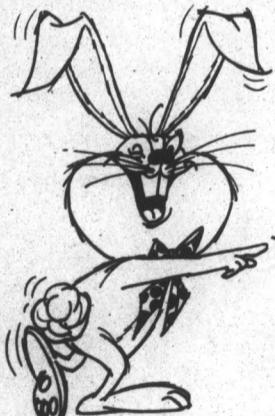
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REPORTS GIVEN AT TERRA BELLA 4-H MEETING

TERRA BELLA - Reports on participation in the area field day were given at March meeting of the Terra Bella 4-H club. Participating with demonstrations in the field day were:

Tim Conkling, Ruth Ann Doyel, Diana Knutson, Marian Knutson, Richard Rogers, Rebecca Winfree, Vickie Beals and Pam Patterson, Pam Green and Vickie Merzoian, Sharon Rohwer and Jeanette Winfree, Marla and Rebecca Tritch, Karla Rickles and Janel Tritch, and Yolanda Tritch and Sheryl Staley.

Blue seal winners at the county 4-H field day were: Tim Conkling, Jeanette Winfree and Sharon Rohwer, and Janel Tritch.

Lemon crop in California, at 14 million boxes, is still eight per cent below last year.

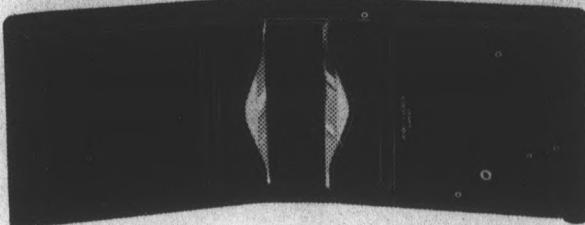
Construction At Air Station Over \$7 Million

LEMOORE - The 1968 Military Construction program for Naval Air Station Lemoore will exceed \$7,800,000 according to Captain L. B. Cornell,

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RODEO QUEEN

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Pam Silvey, and Margie Ann Johnson, students at Porterville High school. Miss Silvey and Miss Johnson are residents of Springville.

All of the contestants, with their parents and other guests, will be entertained at dinner Thursday evening, March 28, at the Soda Spring Inn. They will also make several television appearances.

In charge of the Rodeo Queen contest is Veronica Bone, of Springville.

Community organizations in Springville that have joined forces to produce the annual rodeo are, in addition to the VFW post, the chamber of commerce, the Farm Bureau Center, the Grange, and the Lions club.



50-YEAR members of Porterville Post 20, The American Legion, were honored the evening of March 20 at a potluck birthday supper hosted by women of the Legion Auxiliary. Lester Lamkin, a 50-year member himself, presented 50-year pins; entertainment was provided by Terry Estabrook, vocalist, accompanied by Davalynn Chamberlain; master of ceremonies was Bill Rod-

gers. With Auxiliary President Emma Nuckles, on left, and Legion Commander Herb Short, standing on right are the honored Post 20 Legionnaires, from left, standing: Tim O'Reilly, C. D. Wiley, Lester Lamkin, Elmer Long, L. R. Henderson, Val E. Weithoff, Ervin H. Gibson, Elmer Robinson, Art Falconer, R. C. Arnold, Charles J. Cummings, Kelly Zimmerman, Herman Eulert, Dr. Edgar Danner, Lloyd Zimmerman, and H. G. Jackson. Seated, from left: J. Claude Nelson, H. E. Salisbury, George Minaker, D. R. Lightner, Bam Price, Donald Jones, Charles Ege, and Joe Miller. Not able to attend were Clyde Carlisle, Ira C. Hayden, Lee Mathews, L. J. Singleton, Leo Weisenberger, Dr. George Tannlund, and Fred Saak. In second photo, Emma and Herb cut the 50th birthday cake. (Farm Tribune photos)



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Title role is played by Sheila Cuffman; Don Grace plays King Henry VIII; Robert Briscoe has the role of Cromwell; Ken Caston plays Cardinal Wolsey; Alfonso Hernandez has the role of Enrico Nero.

Others in the cast are: Terry Bergfalk, George Kaye, Becki Louton, Alan Weathers, Roldano Guerra,

**No Special
Deer Hunts In
Tulare County**

SACRAMENTO — Thirty-eight special deer hunts have been recommended for California during the 1968-69 season by the State Department of Fish and Game, however, no special hunts have been recommended in Tulare county.

In the 38 special hunts, 14,960 permits will be issued, compared to 28,990 last year.

"Lower reported deer take last year in most of

Carl Worthington, Diana Wilson, Ted Snyder, Larry Unser, and David Hensel.

the state and the temporary improvement in forage production in most areas last year," were given as the reason for the reduction.

Reported buck kill in California in 1967 was 40,000, a drop of 29,118 from the previous year.

There is no doubt but that Tulare county deer kill was light last season, based on reports from mountain pack stations and food lockers, as well as from official figures.

Local sportsmen cannot explain the decline, since there is no indication of unnatural losses in Tulare county deer herds.

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BARN THEATER'S DON JUAN IN HELL RATES AS EXCELLENT SHOW, ALMOST

By Bill Rodgers
(As we saw it the evening of March 16.)

With far more going for it than against, the recent Barn theater production of George Bernard Shaw's "Don Juan in Hell" rates as an excellent show, almost.

Staging, set design, lighting is dramatic; creation of mood is well done; acting, most of the time, holds a high pitch, but, by the same token, it is acting that puts the play in the "almost excellent" category.

Of course GBS was never a word conservationist, and, most certainly, the philosophical conversations of Don Juan, the Devil, the Commander and Dona Ana are interesting, entertaining and thought-provoking.

But here and there a tendency to recite crops up, particularly in Roy Pederson's interpretation of Don Juan, and when this happens, the pace of the production slackens a bit. And when pace slackens, so does audience interest. In total, however, Pederson, in his first stage appearance, comes up with a good performance.

Oren O'Neill, as the Devil, is excellent. In fact we feel that he arrives as an actor in this one. His past Barn performances have been good, but, in a sense, they have been Oren O'Neill by a different name.

As the Devil, he is a

GBS Devil; his delivery of lines and his movement is fine; his response to the lines of others in the cast is good. (Here we might say there is a bit of a tendency for the three cast members not talking, to dream now and then while the fourth is delivering the typical long verbal passages of Don Juan - not all the time, but now and then. Yet the pace and interest of Don Juan hinges, to a considerable degree, on reactions to ideas being expressed.)

Richard Newman, as a statue of the Commander, plays one of his best Barn performances; Nan Lumley, an accomplished Barn trouper, is very good, however (and we really can't put our finger on this one) she does not seem to have her typical sure touch.

Staging and direction by Larry Cotta give dramatic impact to the production, and his movement of actors somehow adds suspense. We believe, however, that half-way reading of lines, and the four ro-



SWEEPSTAKES AWARD in the 37th annual San Joaquin Valley Scholastic Press association's spring conference at Fresno State college went to the Porterville High school publications staff, under instructors Sally J. Bakotich and Bob Latour. In photo are, from left: Chuck High, sec-

ond-place in news writing; Tami Slayton, business-advertising manager of the El Granito, first place in display advertising; Sally Bakotich; Mary Muller, with sweepstakes trophy; and Seby Aloot, Orange and Green editor, first in editorial writing.

trums on the stage detract, to a degree, from total audience acceptance.

Don Juan In Hell is a most difficult production to stage and act. It's a real challenge to professionals.

Consequently, the Barn theater version is most gratifying (perhaps surprising) and certainly it is worth the price of admission and the expending of an evening's time, for

all the elements of good theater are present, plus a most interesting session of brain challenging a la Shaw.

When we say Don Juan In Hell is excellent, almost, we put considerably more emphasis on the "excellent" than on the "almost."

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Lake Almanor, in Plumas county, opens for trout fishing March 30.

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held in the new Porterville Branch Office of Mineral King Savings and Loan association at 65 West Putnam avenue on Monday, April 1, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The branch office, opened March 1, occupies 1,200 square feet of floor space in a completely remodeled building at the corner of Putnam and Hockett, with easily accessible off-street parking nearby.

The interior was designed by architect Walter Douglas Vogel, who used coordinated planning and the uncluttered simplicity of modern decor and appointments to create a comfortable but dignified

and spacious atmosphere.

"Our faith in the continued growth of this area and our desire to offer more convenient service to our customers here prompted the decision to open the Porterville Branch office," said Ira J. Chrisman, president of the 81-year old mutual association. "We plan to acquire a permanent home in Porterville eventually, but in the meantime, our temporary quarters are equipped to handle all of our services quickly and efficiently."

Three local people have been chosen to staff the branch office. Loren H. Schmid, formerly in the real estate and loan business, was named manager; UL Uly Priftike, also a realtor, will be assistant manager; Linda Woods will serve as teller.

A local advisory board, appointed by the directors of Mineral King Savings and Loan association to assist and advise them in the administration of the new office, is composed of five well-known businessmen and ranchers, all long-time residents of southeastern Tulare county, and all active participants in community affairs.

They include the president of the board, Robert W. Bennett, grower of citrus fruits and a director of Tulare County Fruit Exchange and Sunkist Growers; Pete A. Suhovy, vice president, who operates three supermarkets, two in Porterville and one in Plainview, and a 200 acre ranch near Strathmore; William R. Rodgers, secretary, former Porterville mayor and co-owner of The Farm Tribune and its commercial printing shop; Wilbur O. Dennis, who raises cattle and farms on the

Ducor ranch homesteaded by his parents in 1889; and Harold B. Wyatt, who grows citrus fruits and olives in the Lindsay-Strathmore area.

The directors of Mineral King Savings and Loan Association are Ira J. Chrisman, president; C. L. Bradley, vice president; George A. Murphy, secretary; and board members N.O. Bradley, H.C. Locey, Otto Jensen, G.R. Ruddell and Charles C. Newman.

Officers, directors and advisory board members will be present at the open house to greet the guests and answer inquiries about the association, and a light buffet and cake will be served.

Although 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. was designated as the time for the reception, visitors will be welcome at any time during the day, and everyone who signs the guest book will receive a gift.

CALIFORNIA WINE SHIPMENTS HIGH

SAN FRANCISCO - California wine shipments hit an all-time high for the month of January this year, when 13,636,498.84 gallons went to market. This represents an increase of 25.8% over January figures for 1967.

California growers intend to plant 16,400 acres of late summer onions, 400 acres more than last year.

DEBRA HILL, LYNN BARRETT SHOW WINNERS

PORTERVILLE - Debra Hill, of Porterville and Lynn Barrett, of Springville, were top winners in the 13-year-and-under age class, and the 14-17 year class respectively, in the 8th annual Porterville Canterbury Horse show held Sunday at the Rocky Hill arena.

The show, junior high point approved by the California State Horsemen's association, drew nearly 100 entries from throughout the San Joaquin valley.

SHIRES HEADS ACCREDITATION TEAM

PORTERVILLE - O. H. Shires, president of Porterville college, and Edward M. Buckles, chairman of the business division, are members of an accreditation team for the Western Association of Colleges which is making a three-day visit to the Lassen College campus in Susanville this week. Shires is serving as chairman of the accreditation team.

A car needs up to 9,000 gallons of air for every gallon of gasoline.

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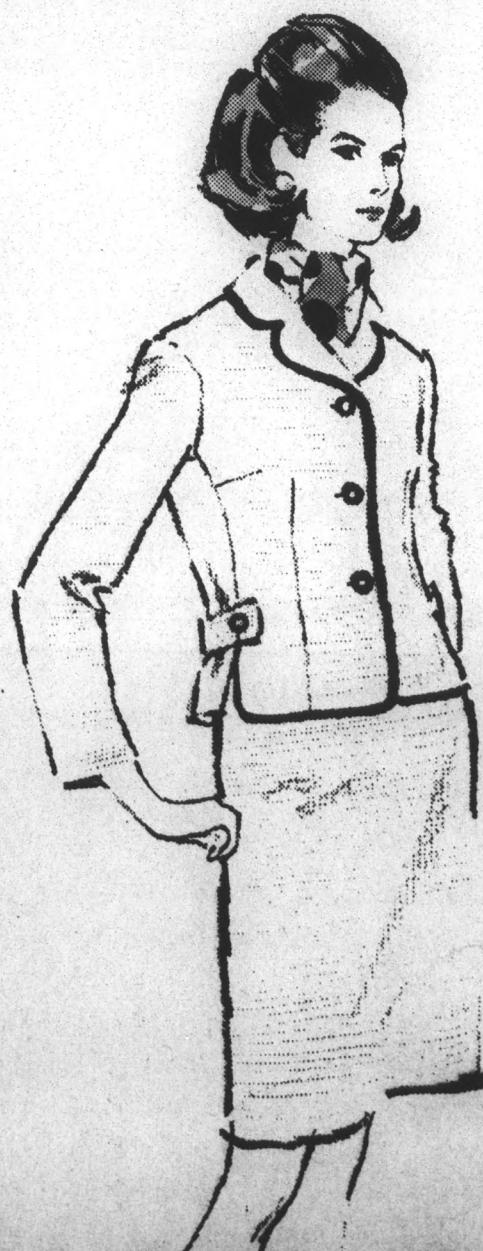
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JACKASS MAIL

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recommend that horses be shod, or that at least their hooves be trimmed, and that "soft" horses not be over-heated.

They also say they will stop adult double riders; riders who run their horses on pavement; riders who let their animals get out of control; and riders whose horses go lame.

Officers of the Humane society have the power to impound animals in cases of abuse.

The Jackass Mail run is in its seventh year. Its

historical tie-in is that more than 100 years ago, in the days when the Overland Mail came up the Emigrant trail through Tulare county, mules were used to pull stage coaches over a particularly rough section of desert trail near San Diego - and the name, "Jackass Mail" was pinned on this operation. The term then became more generally used to describe feeder stage lines that worked off the Emigrant trail into Sierra foothill towns and mining camps. At least eight horse-drawn vehicles are expect-

ed to make the 1968 Mail run. If weather is good, some 400 riders will probably join in.

Letters carried by Jackass Mail will go to addresses throughout America and to several foreign countries. A number have already been posted for delivery to military men serving in Vietnam and in other parts of the world.

Heavy volume of strawberries will start moving from Orange county and the Oxnard district about mid-April.

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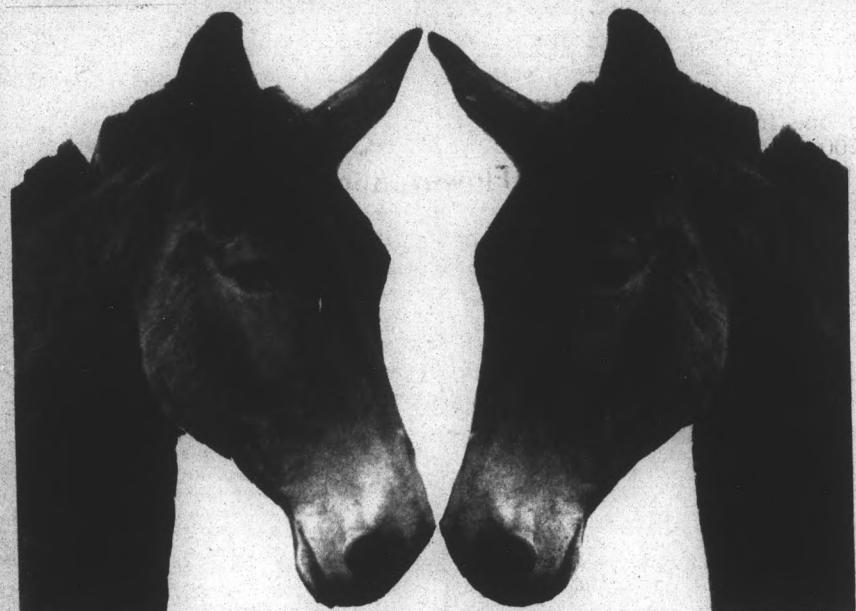


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But being good friends of Curt and Ralph, we do advise those human beings who seek to disguise themselves as Jackasses and who think that booze is more important than oats and barley, to bring green stuff and pass through the portals of Ye Bottle Shoppe prior to hitting the Mail trail Saturday A.M. Curt and Ralph have words of wisdom for you, in addition to what it is you will be looking for.

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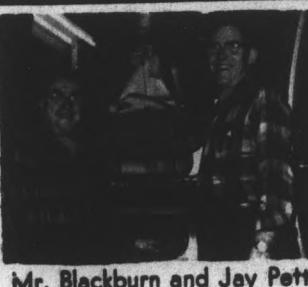
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OUR TOWN
By Ruth Loyd

What lovely weather. What a beautiful day. How lucky to live here in OUR TOWN. Have you ever seen the mountains quite so lovely? Have you been for a ride lately? Great, huh? For diplomat of the year I vote for Richard Bennett. I am going to send him to the worn, torn parts

of the world, and let him settle the whole thing. I'm not kidding. He could do it. I wonder if he would like to run for president. If I could only spell I would ask him if I could be his campaign manager, but by the time I looked up all the words in the dictionary he would be an old man. He still has that little matter of school ahead of him.

I'm already to go to Germany. Bernice Lyons has

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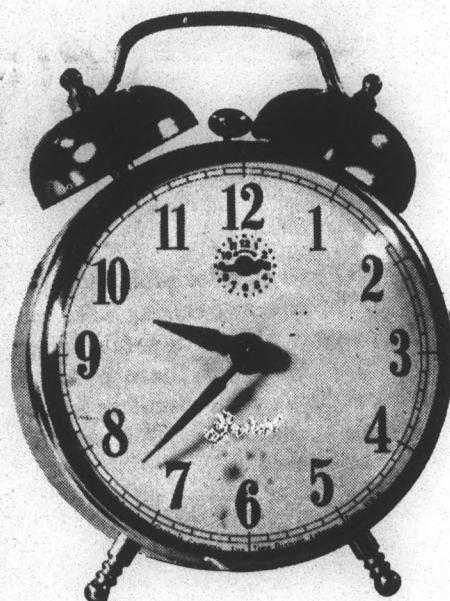
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made me some nice new dresses, and Jimmy Hanson has my reservations and things. I have a nice new passport, and have raised my hand and promised to defend my country in case they need me. If it gets to the point that my country needs me to defend it, we might as well forget the whole thing. I haven't quiet figured out the time change bit. I will be going into tomorrow, and I'm going to be tired when I get there. I leave Fresno about seven in the morning, and will be in Frankfurt about eight the next morning. Take or leave about eight hours. I wait over in San Francisco for about two hours, and my idea of fun is waiting in a busy airport for my plane to take off. All kinds of people going everywhere in the world. Then I get on the big jet, and up, up and away! I promised ole lovey I would send in a column, and he promised to pay for the extra weight of the typewriter, and to send me any pencils I might need. He is all heart I tell you. When you travel on the off season like this, it is cheaper and you can only stay a certain number of days. You have to go in the middle of the week, but I don't care. I just want to go. I have a pocket language dictionary and hope someone lets me try to use it. As a rule pantomine works nicely, but there are some things you just can't pantomine. I'll get lots of insurance for the flight and my luggage, and buy postcards everywhere and send them to everyone. Helen Campos was going with me, but she's going to Africa this summer, and thought an extra trip would be too much.

Happiness is having a humming bird feeder, and watching the humming birds.

Light harvest of lettuce is underway in Kern county.

We Only
Heard
BY BILL RODGERS

SOMETHING ABOUT the printed word sometimes calls forth the worst in people — for instance our Ruth Loyd received this anonymous note through the mail: "Loud Mouth Ruth... If your daughter is so good doesn't it seem that some other publication would print something about her rather than your narrow dirty column."

ORDINARILY WE throw this sort of trash in the wastebasket, since only gutless wonders write anonymous notes. But since Ruthy was involved, we thought folks might like to know what she, and other writers and editors, now and then receive in the way of communications.

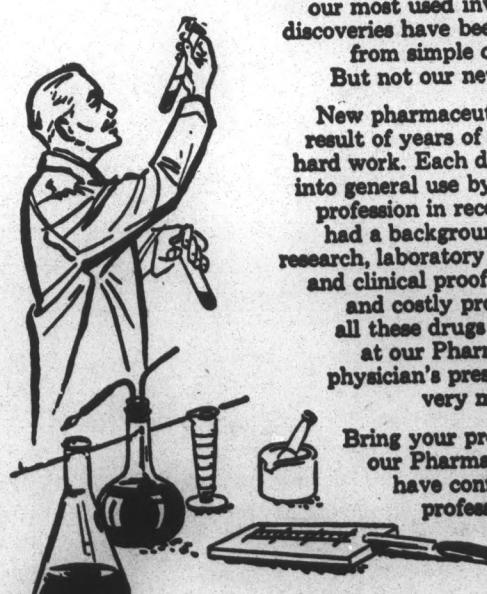
IN THIS case, another publication did print the story about Ruth's daughter — the Porterville Evening Recorder. Which makes the anonymous note writer not only gutless but stupid.

KEEP PITCHING, Ruth, baby. Have a good time when you visit your daughter in Europe — and send us a couple of columns from the other side of the water.

IF YOU don't, we'll be the one writing you notes. And they won't be anonymous.

GEORGE KRALOWEC
TO HEAD ELKS LODGE

PORTEVILLE — George Kralowec will be installed as exalted ruler of the Porterville Lodge of Elks at an installation ceremony, followed by an Inaugural ball, at the Lodge Saturday night, starting at 8 o'clock. Installation of new lodge officers will be in charge of Frank Pratt, a past exalted ruler and a past district deputy grand exalted ruler; music for dancing will be by the Bob Fowler orchestra; dress for the evening is semi-formal.

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No. 65310

In the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Tulare

BRINTON N. BOWLES & THEODORE O. BERRY Attorneys for Plaintiff 193 South Main Porterville, California Telephone 781-1658

NORMA JEAN WELLS, Plaintiff vs DEVO WELDON WELLS, Defendant

Upon reading and filing the affidavit of NORMA JEAN WELLS, Plaintiff, and it satisfactorily appearing to me that the Defendant DEVO WELDON WELLS resides out of the State of California, and it also appearing from the complaint that a good cause of action exists in this action, in favor of the Plaintiff therein and against the said Defendant and that the said Defendant and proper party defendant thereto; and it further appearing that a Summons has been duly issued out of said Court in this action, and that personal service of the same cannot be made upon said Defendant DEVO WELDON WELLS for the reason here inbefore contained, and by said affidavit made to appear; on motion of BRINTON N. BOWLES & THEODORE O. BERRY by THEODORE O. BERRY attorneys for the Plaintiff it is ordered that the service of the Summons in this action be made upon the Defendant DEVO WELDON WELLS by publication thereof in The Farm Tribune, a newspaper published at Porterville, hereby designated as the newspaper most likely to give notice to said defendant; that said publication be made at least once a week for four weeks.

And it further in like manner satisfactorily appearing to me that the residence of said Defendant is General Delivery, Lewisville, Texas.

It is ordered and directed that a copy of the Summons and Complaint in this suit be forthwith deposited in the United States post-office, post-paid, directed to said defendant at his said place of residence. The said copy of Summons and Complaint shall be deposited in the post-office, as aforesaid, by Jeninne E. Kelly who is hereby selected to perform that duty. Undelivered letters shall be attached to the Affidavit of Mailing.

Done this 11th day of March, 1968.
JAY R. BALLANTYNE
Judge m 21,28,A4,11

SUMMONS
(General)
No. 65310

Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Tulare
NORMA JEAN WELLS, Plaintiff vs.

DEVO WELDON WELLS, Defendant
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

To the above named Defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff filed in the above entitled court in the above entitled action brought against you in said court, within TEN days after the service on you of this summons, if served within the above named county, or within THIRTY days if served elsewhere.

You are hereby notified that unless you so appear and answer, said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated June 7, 1967.
(SEAL)

James E. Howard, Clerk
By Juanita Bunning, Deputy Clerk
M21,28,A4,11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare

No. 19631

Estate of
FREEMAN K. MOORE, also known as F.K. Moore, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated March 21, 1968
VIOLET C. MOORE
Administrator With the Will Annexed of the estate of the above named decedent
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Attorneys for Administrator

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The Farm Tribune BILLBOARD

MARCH
30 - Jackass Mail Run

APRIL
2 - Victor Krumdick at Porterville college
4-5 - Area Science Fair
6-7 - Springville Rodeo
7 - Open House, Air Show, Naval Air Station Lemoore
20-28 - Orange Blossom Festival, Lindsay

21 - Stratmore Lions Turkey Shoot, Rocky Hill range
23 - Bakersfield Wind Ensemble At College
27 - Opening, General Trout Season

MAY
3 - High School Band Concert
4 - California Maid of Cotton Visit, Tulare

RETIREMENT PARTY

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Walter Gerhardt, volunteer, 40 years; Donald Witt, volunteer, 40 years; August Wilcox, volunteer, 30 years; Royal Witt, volunteer, 28 years; and Cecil Dwinell, 27 years.

Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m.; presentations will be made to retiring firemen by Mayor Marty Martin and Ralph Beard; presentations will be made to Mrs. Gardner and to Mrs. Garrett by Mrs. Merle Beard.

A special presentation will be made to Gardner by the Western Fire Chief's

4-5 - Porterville Rodeo
7 - FSC A Capella Choir at College
10-11-17-18 - "My Fair Lady" at College
13 - Fish and Game Banquet, Poplar
13-18 - Porterville Salute To Agriculture Week
16-17-18 - Porterville Fair
25-26 - Archers Pot-O-Gold Shoot

association.

Jeff Edwards will show film slides dealing with history of the Porterville Fire department; Supervisor and former Porterville mayor Charles Cummings, will speak; the Reverend Doyle Young will give the invocation and Bill Rodgers will act as master of ceremonies. Table decorations will be handled by the Porterville Garden club.

ACTION PROMISED

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chairman. Arena director will be Darwin Griswold.

The annual rodeo is produced through an association of civic and farm organizations at Springville: The chamber of commerce, the Farm Bureau Center, the Grange, Springville Lions club, and Springville post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Heavy bloom is reported generally for both Navel and Valencia oranges.



FIRST WIN in a regional 4-H field day for the Urbaneer 4-H club was recorded Saturday at Visalia when Kathy Corson and Eva Meier earned a gold seal and plaque for their junior team demonstration, "How To Prepare Insects For Show." They have been studying entomology as a 4-H project for two years. In the nine years that the Urbaneer club

has been organized, members have qualified for regional 4-H competition, but have never won before. Competing in the regional field day were 4-H members who had qualified with demonstrations on a county-wide basis from Tulare, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties.

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TERRA BELLA - Terra Bella Cub Scout Pack 111 will give a pancake breakfast the morning of April 6, 6-9 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church. The public is invited; the Pack is sponsored by the Terra Bella Lions club.

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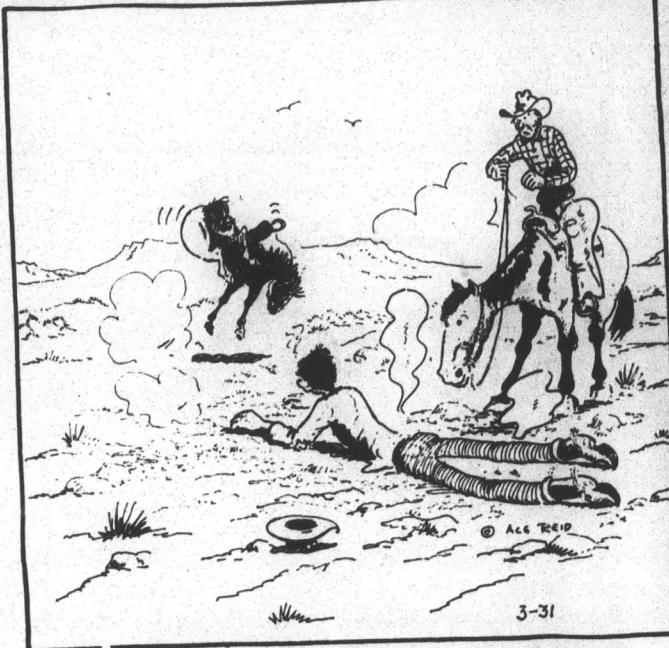
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WAY SPEAKS AT LAND BANK MEETING

TULARE - State Senator Howard Way said that the "monster" state budget

must be reduced in order to hold the line on taxes when he spoke last Friday evening at annual meeting of the Federal Land Bank

association of Visalia. Presiding at the meeting was Art Falconer, of Porterville, president of the association.

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LINDSAY - Harold E. Wake has been promoted to president of Perma Rain

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WELCOME TO UNCROWDED COUNTRY



BIG COUNTRY, beautiful country - that's the Western High Sierra up through the watershed of the Tule river to the Great Western Divide. It's a country of long, clear vistas, a quiet country, a scenic country. Photo is an actual view along Highway

190 that leads into the Western Sierra - a view that shows the sloping ridges of pine and cedar groves, with the Redwood country beyond, and the higher, snow-covered peaks only a few pleasant miles away. A trout stream flows at the bottom of

these ridges; deer may bound across the road; Grey Squirrels and Mountain Quail are often seen. At this time of year seasons flow by outside a traveller's car - spring at the lower elevations, with blooming Redbud and Manzanita; leafing trees at a higher

elevation, and, near the "top of the mountain," winter is still spreading its quiet beauty through the Quaking Aspen country. Is this what you've been looking for? Why not drive up and see for yourself.

Giant Redwoods, Trout, Deer and Scenic Grandeur

Welcome to the western side of the High Sierra, still unspoiled, uncrowded and largely undiscovered. It is a primitive wilderness with just about all the comforts of the city, but without its problems.

It is a land of redwood trees, superlative trout fishing and some of the best deer hunting in California. The backdrop and setting for this is scenic grandeur; 9000-foot-high mountain peaks, cascading rivers and more than a million acres of dense forest nearby for your pleasure.

The region is part of the Sequoia National Forest. The area in question consists of privately-owned property within the national forest, with a buffer zone of permanent U. S. Forestry land on all sides and for many miles.

Don't expect neon lights or the usual "resort" crowds or tinsel atmosphere. You won't find it here. This is virgin wilderness as nature intended it, but with the comforts of plumbing, electricity, telephone and water available on every cabin site.

If you are looking for an unusually beautiful but quiet place hidden in the forest where you can get away from it all, yet enjoy modern conveniences, inspect this section of the western High Sierra. We think we have just what you want if, like us, you prefer the uncrowded peacefulness of the mountains.

The area is only 20 miles south of the planned Walt Disney Mineral King development, with much the same kind of rugged and majestic terrain. Come up and visit us. We'll take good care of you.

The Western High Sierra Association, which publishes this newspaper to acquaint more Californians with the finest unspoiled vacationland in the state, is comprised of five locally and family-operated enterprises: Camp Nelson Resort, Nelson Highlands, Alpine Village, Sequoia Crest and Woody's Pack Station.

On the inside pages you'll find more detailed information about each of the five. We hope you'll want to meet them personally this summer.

CAMP NELSON POPULAR RESORT FOR 80 YEARS

For the past half century, California families have enjoyed summer vacationing at Camp Nelson, the mile-high resort in the High Sierra wilderness of Tulare County.

Originally the area was developed by people from the San Joaquin Valley, who built cabins among the tall pines. Then hunters, fishermen and campers from Southern California "discovered" the place and made it their favorite summer retreat.

Today Camp Nelson still is a family resort, with emphasis on recreation for all ages. Parents can fish for trout in the nearby Tule river, or ride horseback, take long walks in the forest or just relax.

Teen-agers have a plentiful program of dances, swimming in the large public pool, attending outdoor movies, congregating on the porch of the general store, or participating in campfire gatherings.

Camp Nelson sits in a bowl, completely surrounded by lofty mountain peaks and dense forest. It is a beautiful setting and one that prompts many artists to capture on canvas.

The resort has a large and modern lodge, with dining room, coffee shop,

cocktail lounge and recreation rooms with enormous stone fireplaces. An adjoining motel has ten large units capable of accommodating a good sized family. Each room has two queen-size beds. Single cots can be added.

In addition, the Lodge has 12 rental housekeeping cabins which may be had by the day, week or month. These cottages will comfortably accommodate from 5 to 8 persons.

The Lodge also operates a trailer park, with spaces for 30 trailers, available on a daily, weekly or monthly basis. There is a bath house and showers for trailer occupants. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Peterson and J. Quinn Adams operate all of the lodge facilities.

A short distance from Camp Nelson are three public camp grounds, open from May to October.

There is a general store and post office at Camp Nelson. The store has a gift shop and carries a complete line of groceries and household supplies.

A riding stable rents horses by the hour or day. One of the most popular group rides is to a nearby grove of giant Sequoia redwoods.

The Lodge has a horse shoe pitching court that

gets a big play from guests. Each Wednesday evening during the summer the Lodge presents a free outdoor movie for everyone in the area. It usually is a new and popular motion picture.

A community church holds both Protestant and Catholic services each Sunday during the summer.

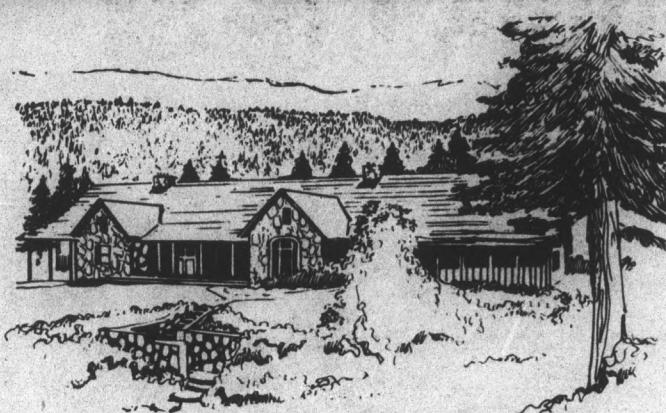
Many Hollywood writers, art directors and actors own property at Camp Nelson, including Stan Freberg. Among the artists who live in the area is wood sculptress Dorris Karstaedt, whose miniature horses and riders have gained national fame.

Despite the wilderness aspect of Camp Nelson, new residents find that professional building services are available locally from Howard Evans, who has built many of the homes in the area. Another local resident, Elroy Blocker, provides automobile mechanical repairs and also does acetylene and electric welding, in addition to other types of work with a skip loader and 4-wheel drive truck.

One of the unusual happenings at Camp Nelson is the almost nightly appearance of herds of wild deer, who appear at dusk to graze on the spacious lawn at the Lodge.

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GIANT REDWOODS ON SEQUOIA CREST LOTS

Not many owners of mountain cabins can boast of having a 1,000-year-old giant redwood tree on their lot, but it's quite possible at Sequoia Crest, a 640-acre vacation community located 8 miles above Camp Nelson.

This development, which is being carved out of a vast redwood forest, has many nearly half-acre cabin sites with huge redwoods towering into the sky. Visitors are given free miniature redwoods to plant

at home.

Sequoia Crest is an island of privately owned land surrounded by the Sequoia National Forest. It is owned by the pioneer Rouch family of Tulare County. Claud Rouch, who lives at Camp Nelson, manages the operation with the help of his brothers, Robert and Edwin.

The Rouch family was originally engaged in lumbering in the High Sierra and several years ago decided to set aside a por-

tion of their redwood-studded land holdings for a new community of vacation homes. This acreage, largest privately owned redwood preserve in California, was named Sequoia Crest and a master plan of streets and lots was drawn up.

Unless you've stood at the base of a giant redwood tree and craned your neck upward to its dizzying tip, you have no idea of the awesome majesty of the Sequoia Gigantea. Some are so large that half a dozen persons, arms outstretched, cannot reach around its base.

Sequoia Crest is the home of the Jordan Peak Ski Resort, a winter sports area with tremendous potential. While it presently has a rope tow, it is hoped to develop it into one of California's major ski resorts in the years ahead. Located at an elevation of 8,000 feet, it provides spectacular slopes among the redwoods, the only ski run of this kind in California.

Eventually it is planned to build a lodge and restaurant at the top of the slope, plus several chair lifts.

Sequoia Crest already has some 25 vacation homes built and occupied for major portions of the year. Many are in the \$12,500 price class.

For persons interested in spending a weekend or

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Giant Redwoods On Top Of The World At Sequoia Crest.

longer at Sequoia Crest, a four-unit motel with two cabins furnished for house-keeping, are available to rent at a nominal cost. The cabins have many giant redwoods close by. Groceries may be obtained at the Sequoia Crest store, or at Camp Nelson or Alpine Village.

The quiet and relaxed atmosphere of Sequoia Crest is about as far from the noise, confusion and smog of the city as you can possibly get. This area has been so well planned that the network of roads unobtrusively winds through the redwoods to preserve the natural beauty of the forest primeval.

Sequoia Crest is at 6,600 foot elevation, which provides plenty of snow in winter and the ever-changing spectacle of the four seasons.

Highway 190, which runs

past Camp Nelson to end at Woody's Pack Station, is only six miles from Sequoia Crest. Like Alpine Village, the development has its own snowplows to keep its roads open for property owners in the winter.

All cabin sites at Sequoia Crest are connected with a central water supply system and have electricity and telephone lines immediately available. It is expected that within a few years many families will be living there the year-round.

Easterners from the northern portion of the United States, including families from the cold weather states of Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, New York, New England, Wisconsin and the Dakotas are prime prospects to own vacation homes at Sequoia Crest.

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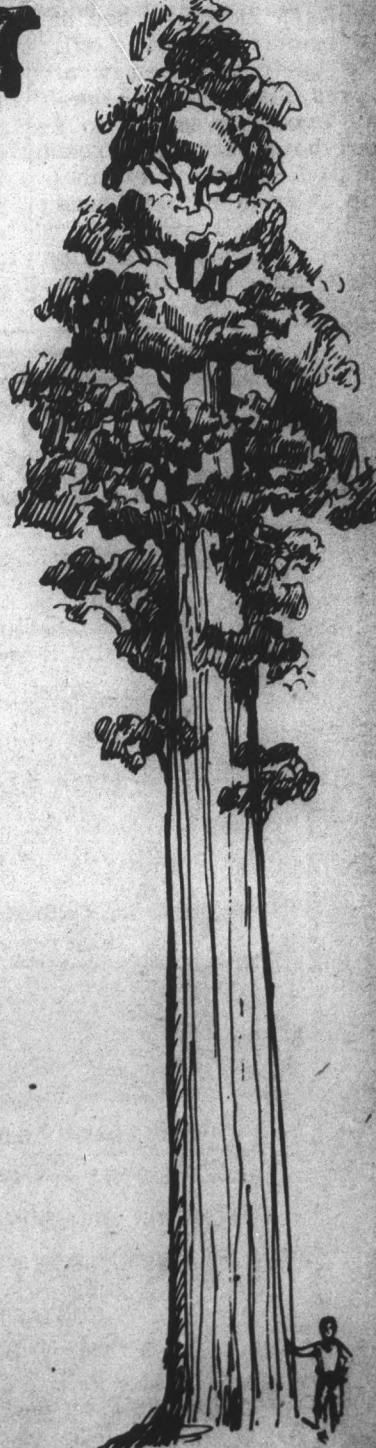
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HUNTERS, FISHERMEN PACK IN WITH WOODY

Most "western" of all western recreational pursuits is packing in on horseback to the primitive back country with a seasoned guide along to escort you and your party to the best hunting and fishing spots in the High Sierra.

The eastern United States doesn't have pack stations, but they provide one of the most popular forms of summer vacations for thousands of Californians.

One of the best known is Woody's Pack Station, 9 miles from Camp Nelson. Owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. R. S. "Woody" Hannam, it functions from May until November and provides exhilarating vacations on horseback for those who favor roughing it in the wilds.

There are many types of pack trips and one can be chosen especially suited to the group's desires. A group may stay in the back country as long as it wishes, or it may elect to take a circle route and remain on the trail throughout the trip. Woody will tailor the pack trip to fit the needs of his customers.

For example, a spot pack trip is one where the group is guided to a desirable campsite in the forest, on the Kern river, or one of the remote lakes and left. The guide will return at a prearranged time. A one-day spot trip is a 3 to 4 hour horseback ride from the pack station. A two day trip is from 6 to 8 hours ride.

An extended pack trip gives you the full-time services of the guide and

livestock for the duration of the trip.

Hikers may rent burros to pack in their camping gear on a day to day basis.

An all-expense trip is an extended pack trip with the additional furnishing of camp gear, the services of a cook and a supply of food provided by the pack station.

Equestrians who own their own horses and wish to ride them into the back country instead of using Woody's mounts, but who still desire the services of pack mules and a guide and/or cook, will be given special low rates for such trips.

A dunnage pack trip is one in which camp gear is packed in to a predetermined location and left, while the group hikes into the spot.

Day rides may be arranged from the pack station, with or without guides.

The back country covered by Woody's Pack Station contains some of the most inaccessible and uninhabited regions left in all of California. Woody will guide parties to the top of Mt. Whitney, 14,502 feet high, or to the headwaters of the Kern river, or to Little Whitney meadow where the rare Goldentrot await the angler's line, or to the Mineral King area.

Trout fishing is excellent everywhere in the back country, whether it's for Golden or the speckled or German Brown trout. Woody and his guides know the best fishing spots throughout the season and will take parties to where they're biting best.

During hunting season, Woody does a big business escorting groups into the higher elevations where deer, bear and bobcat are most plentiful.

Campers who just wish to set up tents and do nothing but relax in the back country may also depend on Woody to provide their every need.

Woody does not furnish sleeping bags, fishing equipment, personal gear or liquor.

Woody's Pack Station has padded saddles and the friendliest, most experienced guides in the business. Good home cooked meals are available on request at the pack station.

INDIAN ARROWHEADS

PLENTIFUL IN AREA

Archeology buffs who comb the Camp Nelson area have come up with many prehistoric Indian arrowheads, but the strange thing about the find is that the arrowheads are made of obsidian, a volcanic glass, not indigenous to the region.

Best guess is that Indians who lived on the eastern side of the Sierra Nevada, where there once were active volcanoes, fashioned their arrowheads from material gathered on the slopes of the then-active craters and went on hunting or trading expeditions over the High Sierra and into this region.



Successful Deer Hunters Pack Train at Woody's.

DEER INVITE THEMSELVES FOR DINNER ALL THE TIME

One thing you have to get used to and learn to live with, if you have a vacation home in the Camp Nelson area, is that deer, which outnumber the human population by a considerable number, will invite themselves to dine on practically anything you decide to grow, be it flowers, vegetables or fruit.

Perhaps it's because they were here first and being descendants of original settlers they feel they have a priority on all things edible. At any rate, they will arrive singly, or in pairs, or small herds, just when whatever it is you've planted comes to full fruition.

Many local residents soon decide that it's more fun to cater to the deer's appetites than worry about

what they'll eat. So it becomes a game of making friends with the deer, or trying to.

Leave tempting tidbits, such as heads of lettuce, out for the deer enough times and they'll virtually move in with you.

Of course, if you own a dog, the whole deal is off, as far as the deer are concerned.

Many city families which are having the initial experience at living in the High Sierra wilderness, find the party-crashing deer a unique and unexpected source of excitement. Children, especially, are captivated by the animals and can't understand why (1) the deer won't come into the house or (2) why their parents aren't too enthusiastic about same.

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CITY FAMILIES BUILD IN ALPINE VILLAGE

The word Alpine conjures up visions of the Swiss Alps, with towering mountains protecting a small settlement of homes nestled at their base.

It holds true for Alpine Village, a picturesque community of vacation cabins located between Camp Nelson and Sequoia Crest. 9,200-foot-high Slate mountain stands as a guardian to protect Alpine Village from winds and storms.

Situated high on the warm, sunny, south side of Jordan Peak, Alpine Village offers more days of sunshine per year. That's undoubtedly why so many Los Angeles families are buying lots and building cabins there.

Perched about 2,000 feet higher than Camp Nelson and 500 feet lower than Sequoia Crest, Alpine Village was planned by its developers, Roberts, Burke and Roberts, to provide magnificent views of the immense valley below.

Each lot offers the ultimate in privacy and seclusion. The community has all-weather paved roads, its own water system, plus telephone and electrical service to all lots. There are no bonds or assessments. All improvements are in and paid for by the developers. Don Burke is

resident manager.

Property title is insured by Security Title Insurance Co. The developers will arrange cabin financing and construction, if desired. Approximately half acre and larger lots may be purchased for cash or on convenient terms.

Alpine Village has a good restaurant, the Alpiner, offering excellent charcoal broiled steaks, lobster, brook trout and boneless half chicken with Alpine stuffing. Meal-sized sandwiches are served daily on the luncheon menu. The Alpiner also carries a supply of groceries for local residents.

Among recreational facilities planned for this summer are a horseback riding stable and a community swimming pool.

Alpine Village is only three miles from Jordan Peak Ski Resort, where an abundance of snow each winter provides good skiing until late Spring. For families with vacation cabins, deer hunting is as close as their back door. Trout fishing is good in the Tule River at Camp Nelson, just 15 minutes away.

Alpine Village, which consists of choice, privately-owned subdivided land surrounded by the Sequoia National Forest, was

designed by Althouse-Strauss Engineering Services, of Porterville, one of California's most successful planners of mountain communities.

Lots are both level and sloping, to provide maximum panoramic views. The unspoiled beauty of the wilderness has been carefully retained, so that cabins have tall pine and cedar trees on all sides.

Many of the city-based families which currently are building cabins are weekend builders, doing much of the work themselves.

One such Do-It-Yourselfer, a man who owns a manufacturing plant in the San Fernando Valley, hasn't missed a weekend in the past year and finishes one room of his vacation home at a time, permitting him to live comfortably while he builds.

All streets in Alpine Village end in cul de sacs, to eliminate through-traffic of cars and provide greater privacy.

The developers have plans on the drawing board for a shopping center to be built when the growth of the community warrants.

As resident manager Burke pointed out, "The value of lots here should double and triple in the next few years. When these lots are gone there are no more to be had. The investment opportunity is obvious."

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All The Comforts Of Home Plus Peace And Quiet At Alpine Village.

HORSEBACK RIDING POPULAR

Some of the best riding trails in all of California are available to horseback riding enthusiasts in this mountain paradise. Whether a neophyte or experienced rider, there is a wide choice of good trails.

You may rent horses from the Camp Nelson stables or bring your own mount. A guide will escort you on a box lunch ride into a nearby redwood grove or take you to the top of 9200-foot high Jordan Peak, where you may sign the ranger's guest book.

Or you may just take off by yourself for a day of exploring the surrounding wilderness.

Horses are available for rent at Camp Nelson and Alpine Village.

PREHISTORIC BOWLS PROVE A MYSTERY

Basins carved in huge stone boulders are believed to be prehistoric "laundromats," used by the Indians before the advent of the white man. Six of these mysterious stone bowls, each about 18 inches deep, were discovered on a flat rock at Alpine Village. They are close together, suggesting that the large rock was a gathering place for early inhabitants who may have washed their clothes, their cooking utensils, or both in the basins. Many other such basins may be found in Sequoia Crest and Camp Nelson.

Whether man-made or carved by the elements, the basins are a popular attraction each weekend.

oaks, dogwood, aspen, apple, pear and cherry. The manzanita shrub, from which local natives make tart manzanita jelly, is found in abundance. Gooseberry and elderberry bushes also are plentiful and are the local source of supply for jelly-making.

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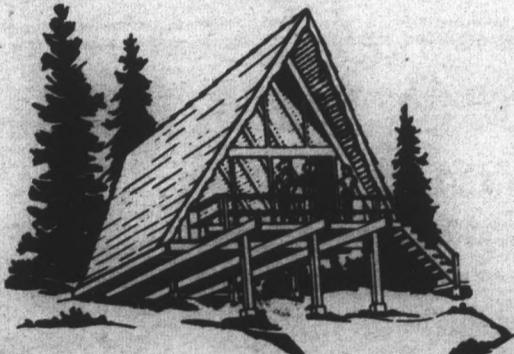
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The ultimate in luxurious living in the wilderness is the goal of real estate operator J. W. "Wy" Grier, who is building Nelson Highlands into one of California's most elegant get-away-from-it-all hideaway communities.

Nelson Highlands is being built on a mountain-side overlooking Camp Nelson. It will be, when completed, an exclusive community of fine, year-round homes that may at first seem out of place in the forest primeval.

Nelson Highlands has been designed and planned to afford each property owner a new dimension of "city living" in this remote region of the High

Sierra. It will, in short, be a "status" suburb of Camp Nelson.

Grier, who is well-known in mountain land development in California, is the former owner and operator of Camp Nelson Resort, including the lodge and its multiple facilities.

Today he operates Camp Nelson Realty, with offices opposite the lodge in Camp Nelson. In addition to his development plans for Nelson Highlands, he also handles sales of less-expensive cabins and lots in the area.

In announcing his plans for Nelson Highlands, Grier said, "I have created this as an exclusive community of fine vacation homes for those who can afford the very best. It has been designed for families who are willing to pay a little more for the ultimate in the refinement of mountain cabins."

Half-acre lots in Nelson Highlands are priced from \$8,000, which is about \$2,-

000 higher than the most expensive lots in the other vacation communities in the area. Homes will be in the \$35,000 category, as compared with relatively inexpensive cabins elsewhere in the region.

Grier, who is considered to be an authority on the history of the Camp Nelson area, believes that it is only now coming into its own as a major vacationland.

The 80-year-old mountain resort has been a vacation retreat for a comparative handful of Californians who knew about it. Until recently, few Southern Californians have been aware of its attractions and beauty, he stated.

"For more than half a century," Grier said, "families from the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys have had the almost exclusive use of this area as a retreat of cool relief from the scorching summer heat of the valley floor. Now it has become the common property of families from all parts of the state."

Camp Nelson was originally homesteaded in 1881 by John Milton Nelson who, with his brother and sister, lived there in virtually total isolation for many years. Other settlers began to arrive at the turn of the century. The first apple trees were brought in by muleback in 1910 and planted near the present site

of the lodge. The trees still live on, despite their age. Lilac bushes, also brought in many years ago, grow profusely.

Situated 35 miles east

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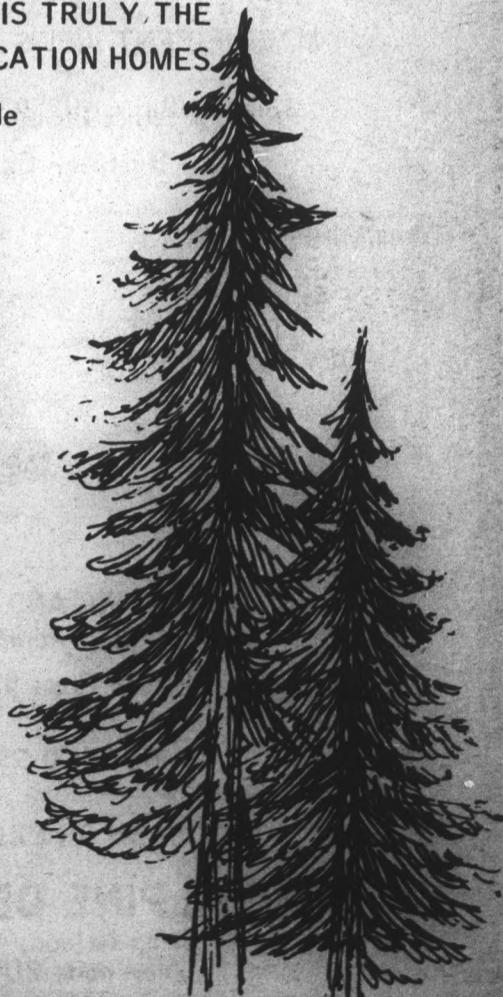
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REGION ABLAZE WITH COLOR WHEN AUTUMN FROST ARRIVES

More and more Californians are becoming aware of the spectacle that is fall in the High Sierra country when the aspens, and many another type of tree, create for the viewer a blaze of glory second to none.

New England with a wealth of maple trees that color the hills and dales with reds and gold each fall has become a mecca for tourists racing across the country to view the splendor. Strangely enough, a

NATURAL SODA SPRINGS ABOUND

One of the many unusual attractions in the Camp Nelson area is the number of natural soda springs, which pour forth gallons of real soda water endlessly.

Visitors are invited to bottle some of this soda water and take it home. It is suggested that jugs be brought from home for this purpose.

number of these are Californians who have yet to learn that, within 180 miles of Los Angeles, the quaking aspens, trembling in the slightest breeze and glowing like an open hearth with a giant flame, put on a show that outdazzles all of New England.

Apple trees that were brought into the area at the turn of the century, via mule train, still abound at Camp Nelson.

CAMP NELSON HAS OVER 400 CABINS

You'd never believe it by driving into the tiny resort hamlet of Camp Nelson, but hidden in the tall pine trees are more than 400 summer cabins, owned by so-called "flatlanders."

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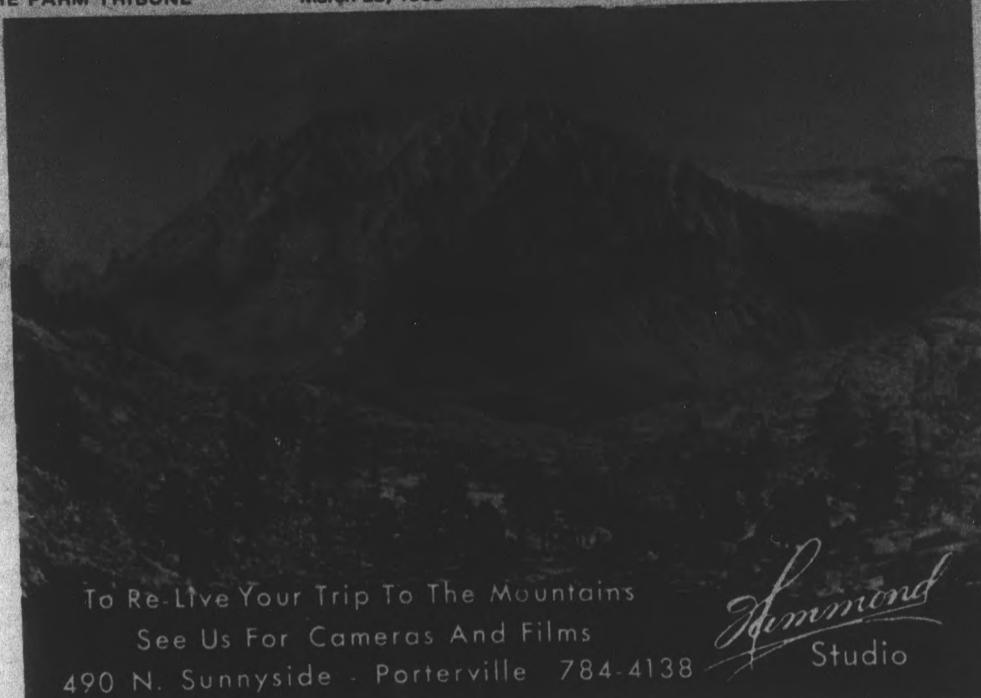
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Many families beat the heavy weekend freeway traffic by driving up early Friday afternoon and returning to the city Monday morning, when traffic is lightest. This gives them a long weekend to enjoy the out-of-doors and the pine-scented, invigorating and pure mountain air.

Some stay a week or longer. Perhaps all summer. Some make frequent short visits as they "commute" from city jobs.

Vacation facilities include just about everything, from owning your own mountain cabin, to staying at the Lodge, or taking a family-size house-keeping cottage, to renting space for your trailer at Camp Nelson's trailer park, or roughing it in either of three nearby public camp grounds.

Remember that this is the WESTERN side of the High Sierra. To reach it by car, take the San Diego freeway north in the San Fernando Valley, then follow highway 99, the modernized version of the old Ridge Route, up over the mountains to Gorman, down the Grapevine grade and into the San Joaquin Valley. About 100 miles from the

San Fernando Valley is Bakersfield. A couple of miles north of Bakersfield is the turnoff to highway 65 and Porterville, another 45 miles north. As you reach the outskirts of Porterville turn right on highway 190 and proceed 34 miles to Camp Nelson, via Springville.

The 17 miles from Springville to Camp Nelson is a winding, paved mountain road in excellent condition. Panoramic views from numerous turn-outs on this road are spectacular. Have your camera loaded and ready.

THE FARM TRIBUNE COMMUNITIES ONLY A FEW MILES APART

To orientate visitors to the area, Camp Nelson, Alpine Village, Sequoia Crest and Woody's Pack Station are only a few miles apart, each separated by a buffer zone of Sequoia National Forest.

Camp Nelson, for example, is five miles from Alpine Village. Three miles farther up Redwood Drive from Alpine Village is Sequoia Crest.

Woody's Pack Station is nine miles from Camp Nelson at the end of highway 190.

Nelson Highlands is a new development immediately adjacent to Camp Nelson Resort.



From Los Angeles take Highway 99 to Bakersfield, then 65 to Porterville, then 190 to Camp Nelson, via Springville.



TROUT SEASON OPENS IN SIERRA APRIL 27

WAITING FOR fisherman in the waters of the Tule river and its tributaries are fighting Rainbow trout, both natives and planted, and in the deep pools of the river are "lunker Locks," real trophy trout for the fisherman who can take them. Beyond the end of the road in country reached by foot or horseback, are the classic fish of the Sierra-Golden Trout. If you haven't tried the streams and lakes of the Western Sierra, you are missing a great fishing experience.

There are many good picnic spots along the Tule River, near Camp Nelson.

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